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SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN MILITARY AID TO SOUTHEAST ASIA

REF: A. CANBERRA 4884; B. JAKARTA 9134

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1. WE WOULD REGARD IT AS UNFORTUNATE IF AUSTRALIA WERE TO
TERMINATE ITS PROGRAMS OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO NON-COMMU-
NIST STATES OF SOUTHEAST ASIA. AUSTRALIAN ASSISTANCE, WHILE
NOT DECISIVE, HAS MADE VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO SECURITY
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CAPABILITIES OF RECIPIENT STATES, ESPECIALLY INDONESIA,

MALAYSIA AND SINGAPORE. IT ALSO DEMONSTRATES AUSTRALIAN INTEREST IN SECURITY AND STABILITY OF REGION, AND IS SYMBOLIC OF AUSTRALIAN SUPPORT FOR NON-COMMUNIST GOVERNMENTS. IN OUR VIEW, IT WOULD BE UNWISE FOR WESTERN POWERS TO WITHDRAW A FORM OF SUPPORT FROM NON-COMMUNIST STATES PRECISELY AT TIME THEY FEEL MOST THREATENED.

2. REQUEST AMBASSADOR -- OR, IN HIS ABSENCE, CHARGE -- MAKE POINTS IN PARA ONE TO RENOUF OR OTHER SENIOR DFA OFFICIAL, IF POSSIBLE PRIOR TO MINISTERIAL DECISION ON COM CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATIONS. INGERSOLL

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